

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	John Kagan et al.
Appl. No.	:	10/698,148
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For	:	APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR TREATMENT OF MORBID OBESITY
Examiner	:	Phillip Gray
Group Art Unit	:	3767

## AMENDMENT

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 23, 2006, please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.